M E M O R A N D U M

September 20, 1968

TO: JIM GARRISON, District Attorney

FROM: TOM BETHELL

RE: Interview of LEE HARVEY OSWALD by the FBI on occasion of his first arrest in New Orleans

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A small discrepancy between the testimony of S. A. LESTER QUIGLEY and LTN. FRANCIS MARTELLO has been pointed out by SYLVIA MEAGHER. Whereas QUIGLEY stated that OSWALD requested an interview with the FBI, MARTELLO gives no such indication.

Accordingly, I telephoned MARTELLO (now Captain) on September 18, 1968, and asked him about this. He verified that OSWALD in fact did request an interview with the FBI, and seemed surprised that it was not in his testimony.

In reply to my question, MARTELLO added that it is unusual for a prisoner charged with a minor offense to request an interview with the FBI. He said that OSWALD gave no reason for requesting this interview.